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August 10, 2000

Mr. Steve Ritchie, Acting Executive Director Cal-Fed Bay-Delta Program 1416 Ninth St., Suite 1155 Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Final Programmatic EIS/EIR

Dear Mr. Ritchie,

I am writing to ask you to extend the time for farmers to read and comment on the final environmental report released July 21. A thousand page document cannot be adequately reviewed by any interested party in the time allowed. Additionally, I ask that you hold public hearings to explain the plan and how it affects us.

Through this entire process, I have been concerned about the loss of farmland, loss of water and the lack of progress on storage. As California's population continues to grow and the environment continues to require more water, that water should come from newly developed storage, not from farmers. Cal-Fed should instead be working with farmers on voluntary habitat conservation. As a farmer in San Diego County, I do not feel our concerns have been adequately addressed.

Again, I request you grant additional time for comments and hold public hearings before you implement the plan.

Sincerely.

Janet Silva Kister Sunlet Nursery, Inc.

Senator Dianne Feinstein cc:

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